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Docket No.: 44318-045

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277  
Masahiko MATSUURA, et al. : Confirmation Number:  
Serial No.: 09/875,265 : Group Art Unit: 2852  
Filed: June 07, 2001 : Examiner: BEATTY, Robert B.  
For: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Mail Stop Extension of Time  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated November 4, 2003, now due to expire March 4, 2004, be extended for three months and set to expire on May 4, 2004. Please charge the extension fee of \$840.00 to Deposit Account No. 500417. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500417.

Respectfully submitted,

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